BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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Application of BellSouth Long Distance, Inc.)
d/b/a/ AT&T Long Distance Service, to	
Revise Maximum Rate and Actual Rate for) REQUEST TO REVISE
Residential Message Telecommunications Service) MAXIMUM AND ACTUAL RATES
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BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Long Distance Service ("BSLD")¹ respectfully submits the following Request for approval by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") to revise the maximum rate and the actual rate for its Residential Message Telecommunications Service ("RMTS") in South Carolina.² In support of this Request, BSLD states as follows:

The "BSLD" designation is used in this Request to avoid confusion between BellSouth Long Distance d/b/a AT&T Long Distance Service and any affiliated entity that provides toll service in South Carolina under the AT&T brand (whose offerings are not affected by this Request).

As explained below, BSLD respectfully reserves its legal position that it is not required to obtain approval to change its actual RMTS rates because, among other things, the contemplated changes do not affect its general body of subscribers and, based on current data as well as reasonable assumptions regarding future usage patterns, the composite of the proposed peak and non-peak rates does not exceed the maximum rate in BSLD's South Carolina tariff. BSLD, however, is filing this Request in an attempt to avoid unnecessary delay in implementing these revisions.

1. BSLD's name and address are:

BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Long Distance Service 400 Perimeter Center Terrace, Suite 400 Atlanta, Georgia 30346

2. BSLD's authorized representative in this proceeding is:

Patrick W. Turner 1600 Williams Street, Suite 5200 Columbia, South Carolina 29201 Telephone: (803) 401-2900

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Correspondence or communication relative to this Request should be addressed to this authorized representative.

3. Exhibit A to this Request sets forth the proposed revisions to BSLD's RMTS tariff. Exhibit B to this Request is a proposed Notice of Filing that BSLD respectfully requests the Commission to issue at its earliest convenience in order to facilitate the proposed effective date of April 27, 2007. In addition to these Exhibits, this Request is further supported by the verified, pre-filed testimony of Kimberly A. Williams that BSLD is filing concurrently with this Request.

Description of BSLD's Current RMTS Service

4. BSLD is one of many service providers authorized to provide interexchange service in South Carolina. Residential customers in South Carolina can choose to have any of these numerous providers carry: their intrastate, interexchange calls; their interstate, interexchange calls; or both. If a residential customer in South Carolina opts to have BSLD carry one or more of these types of calls for the customer, that customer can then choose from several different plans offered by BSLD. One plan, for instance, allows residential customers to pay a monthly recurring

charge of \$1 plus 10 cents per minute for domestic toll calls.³ Another plan allows residential customers to pay a monthly recurring charge of \$2.99 plus 5 cents per minute for domestic toll calls.⁴ BSLD's residential domestic toll plans do not contain volume or term commitments, and they do not provide for termination charges or similar payments. For a small monthly recurring charge, each of BSLD's residential domestic toll plans offers lower per-minute rates than BSLD's RMTS tariff.

- 5. BSLD's RMTS tariff does not apply to any customer who opts to participate in one of BSLD's residential domestic toll plans. Instead, BSLD's RMTS tariff applies only to residential customers who opt to have BSLD carry one or more types of their domestic toll calls, but who do not opt to participate in any of the many domestic toll calling plans offered by BSLD. The RMTS service "is offered on a flat rate basis, twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week," and "[n]o monthly recurring charge applies for this service." Currently, the maximum rate for BSLD's RMTS is 31 cents per minute, and the actual rate for BSLD's RMTS is 18 cents per minute.
- 6. Today, BSLD has approximately residential domestic toll customers in South Carolina, and the RMTS tariff applies to only approximately of those customers. The tariff changes that are the subject of this Request, therefore, affect a very small percentage (less than %) of BSLD's domestic toll customers in South Carolina. Currently, for BSLD customers, approximately % of the RMTS usage occurs from 8:00 a.m. up to, but not including,

³ See BSLD's South Carolina P.S.C. Tariff No. 3, §4.2.36 (BellSouth® Dollar Plan). The actual rates are in Appendix A- Current Rates and Charges A.36.

See BSLD's South Carolina P.S.C. Tariff No. 3, §4.2.18 (BellSouth® Advantage 5¢ Plan). The actual rates are in Appendix A – Current Rates and Charges A.62.

See BSLD's South Carolina P.S.C. Tariff No. 3, §4.2.1.

⁶ *Id.*, §4.2.1(G).

⁷ Id., Appendix A-1(G).

5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday,⁸ and approximately \(\bigcup_{\circ}\)% of the RMTS usage occurs during other times.⁹

Proposed Revisions to RMTS Tariff

South Carolina since the service was introduced in 2002. BSLD proposes to restructure the rates for its RMTS by changing from a single rate that applies at all times of the day to a "peak" and an "off-peak" rate. Under the revised tariff, a rate of 35 cents per minute applies during the "peak period" (8:00 a.m. to, but not including, 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday), and a rate of 25 cents per minute applies during the "off-peak" period (all other times). BSLD also proposes to change the maximum RMTS rate to 50 cents per minute for both the "peak" and the "off-peak" periods. BSLD voluntarily is providing each of its current RMTS customers' direct notification of the proposed rate changes, either by bill message or by a post card mailing. The text of the direct notification is as follows:

Subject to regulatory approvals, BellSouth Long Distance plans to increase its intrastate and state-to-state prices for Residential Message Telecommunications Service (MTS) calls from \$0.18 per minute to \$0.35 per minute for calls made during Peak time and to \$0.25 per minute for calls made during Off-Peak time. Peak time applies to calls made Mon.-Fri. between 8:00 a.m. to, but not including, 5:00 p.m. Off-Peak time applies to calls made during all other time periods. These prices will become effective no sooner than April 27, 2007. You can save money by signing up for a BellSouth Long Distance domestic calling plan. We offer a variety of domestic calling plans with great rates for added savings and value. Call our service associates today or visit us on-line at www.bellsouth.com/longdistance to find the best plan to fit your calling needs.

This is the "peak period" under BSLD's revised RMTS tariff.

This is the "off-peak period" under BSLD's revised RMTS tariff.

As explained below, the composite rate for RMTS calls under the revised tariff is less than the maximum RMTS rate in BSLD's existing tariff.

BSLD will begin this notification process on March 1, 2007 and expects to complete the process by March 31, 2007.

- 8. Charging different RMST rates for calls placed at different times is neither novel nor unique in South Carolina. Several other interexchange carriers in South Carolina, including Verizon, MCI, Embarq and 1-800-Reconex, already do so. Composite Exhibit C to this Request contains the relevant tariff provisions for these service providers.
- 9. Additionally, BSLD's proposed new actual rates are comparable to the actual RMTS rates of other service providers in South Carolina. The actual peak rate in BSLD's revised tariff is 35 cents per minute. Verizon's actual peak rate is 40 cents per minute, and MCI's actual peak interLATA rate is 35 cents per minute. Embarq's actual rate is 40 cents per minute Monday through Friday, and 1-800 Reconex charges 25 cents per minute at all times. The actual off-peak rate in BSLD's revised tariff is 25 cents per minute. Verizon's actual off-peak rate is 40 cents per minute, and MCI's actual off-peak interLATA rate is 25 cents per minute. Embarq charges 25 cents per minute on Saturdays and 10 cents per minute on Sundays. 1-800 Reconex charges 25 cents per minute at all times.
- 10. Similarly, BSLD's proposed new maximum rate is comparable to the maximum RMTS rates of other service providers in South Carolina. The maximum peak and off-peak rate in BSLD's revised tariff is 50 cents per minute. Verizon's maximum peak and off-peak RMTS rate is 60 cents per minute, and MCI's maximum peak and off-peak RMTS rate is 49 cents per minute. Embarq's maximum RMTS rate is \$1.60 Monday through Friday, \$1.00 on Saturdays, and 40 cents on Sundays. 1-800-Reconnex's maximum RMTS rate is 40 cents per minute at all times.

Reasons for Revising the Tariff

11. As noted above, BSLD's RMTS tariff applies only to residential customers who opt to have BSLD carry one or more types of their domestic toll calls, but who do not opt to participate in any of the many domestic toll calling plans offered by BSLD. As a group, these customers tend to "churn" from one service provider to another on a regular basis and much more frequently than is the case with customers who are on a domestic toll plan. Each time BSLD loses or regains such a customer, it incurs transactional costs. BSLD, therefore, is revising its tariff to, among other things, more closely align the rates for RMTS customers with the administrative time and expense of serving these customers and to provide an incentive to these customers to opt for one of the many domestic toll calling plans BSLD offers. As noted above, the customer notification BSLD voluntarily is providing informs RMTS customer that BSLD offers several domestic toll calling plans that offer lower rates to those customers. Finally, BSLD is attempting to implement this tariff revision on a uniform basis throughout the nine states that comprise the operating region of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

Commission Orders Relevant to BSLD's Request

12. In 1997, the Commission entered an Order authorizing BSLD to provide interexchange service in South Carolina and holding, in part, that "[BSLD] is granted 'relaxed regulation' as set forth in Orders Nos. 95-1734 and 96-55." For BSLD's "non-business services

See Order Approving Certificate, In Re: Application of BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Resold Telecommunications Services and for Approval of Alternative Regulatory Plan, Order No. 97-963 in Docket No. 97-285-C at p. 6 (November 7, 1997). BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. subsequently merged with BellSouth BSE, Inc., and later it obtained Commission approval to operate under the d/b/a name of "AT&T Long Distance Service." See Order Granting Motion and Joint Application, In Re: Joint Application of BellSouth BSE, Inc. and BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. for Approval of Merger, Order No. 2004-299 in Docket No. 2004-45-C (June 18, 2004); Commission Directive, In Re: Application of

offerings" such as RMTS, the Commission adopted a "rate design" that "includes only maximum rate levels for each tariff charge." The Commission provided that prior to reducing a tariff charge for a non-business service below the maximum level, BSLD must "file its proposed rate changes, publish its notice of such changes, and file affidavits of publication with the Commission two weeks prior to the effective date of the changes." If the reductions "do not affect the general body of subscribers or do not constitute a general rate reduction," the "public notice requirement is waived, and therefore not required "

The Commission further provided that "[a]ny proposed increase in the maximum rate level reflected in the tariff which would be applicable to the general body of the Company's subscribers shall constitute a general ratemaking proceeding and will be treated in accordance with the notice and hearing provisions of S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-540."

The Commission provided that "includes only maximum rate level reflected in the tariff which would be applicable to the general body of the Company's subscribers shall constitute a general ratemaking proceeding and will be treated in accordance with the notice and hearing provisions of S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-540."

13. BSLD respectfully submits that the changes to the actual rates for RMTS addressed in this Request do not require Commission review or approval. The changes to the actual rates, for example, are not "applicable to the general body of the Company's subscribers" because customers have the option of choosing carriers other than BSLD to carry their domestic toll calls and, if they opt for BSLD, they have the option of choosing one of several BSLD calling plans instead of RMTS.¹⁶ Additionally, BSLD respectfully submits that the domestic toll customers to whom the

BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. to Operate Under the d/b/a of AT&T Long Distance Service, Dockets No. 1997-285-C, 1997-361-C, & 2007-9-C (February 14, 2007).

See Order Approving Certificate, In Re: Application of BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Resold Telecommunications Services and for Approval of Alternative Regulatory Plan, Order No. 97-963 in Docket No. 97-285-C at p. 5 (November 7, 1997).

¹³ *Id*.

¹⁴ *Id.*

¹⁵ *Id*.

The Commission has held that optional plans do not affect the general body of a company's subscribers. Specifically, in 1988, the Commission held that "[b]ecause [Touchtone] is an optional tariff and does not affect the general body of subscribers . . . , the Company was not

revised tariff applies (who make up less than \(\bigcup_{\pi}\)% of BSLD's domestic toll customers in South Carolina) do not constitute "the general body of the Company's subscribers."

- Additionally, BSLD respectfully submits that the changes to the actual rates addressed in this Request do not constitute an increase above the existing maximum rate under the current tariff. The revised tariff restructures the actual rates for RMTS by changing from a actual single rate that applies at all times of the day to an actual "peak" and an actual "off-peak" rate. Under the current usage patterns of \(\begin{align*} \pi_\text{0} \\ \text{peak} \) and \(\begin{align*} \pi_\text{0} \\ \text{off-peak} \), the effective actual composite rate of the revised tariff is \(\begin{align*} \text{cents per minute,} \) which is lower than the existing maximum rate of 31 cents per minute. This composite actual rate likely will decrease in the future, as RMTS customers likely will begin placing more calls during off-peak hours to take advantage of the lower off-peak rates.
- 15. Without waiving the foregoing, however, BSLD wishes to avoid unnecessary argument and delay in implementing its tariff revisions. BSLD, therefore, respectfully submits this

required to file a Notice of Intent with the Commission." See Order Denying Petition for Rehearing and Reconsideration of Order No. 88-237, In RE: Request of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. for Approval of Revisions to its General Subscriber Tariff for Touchtone Calling Service, Order No. 88-283 in Docket No. 87-503-C (March 14, 1988). Also, in an earlier Order, the Commission held that an area calling plan did not affect the general body of subscribers because it was an optional plan. In reconsidering its original decision on the issue in light of dissents filed by then-Commissioners Scott and Bowers, the Commission agreed that "two conditions must exist for the tariff to apply to a subscriber: 1) a subscriber must make an intraLATA call, and 2) use [the Company] as the carrier to complete the call." Order Granting Reconsideration, In Re: Request of Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. for Approval of Revisions to its General Subscribers Service Tariff (Area Calling Plan), Order no. 95-1363 in Docket No. 95-1005-C at 2 (July 14, 1995). On reconsideration, the full commission agreed with the reasoning of the dissenting Commissioners that "all customers do not make intraLATA calls, and even those that do can use a number of different carriers," and that "the use of [the Company] to complete an intraLATA call was optional on the part of the customer, and therefore, did not affect the general body of subscribers." Id. at 2-3.

(35-cent peak rate) (8 8 RMTS traffic during peak period) + (25-cent off-peak rate) (8 8 RMTS traffic during off-peak) = 8 8 8 cents per minute.

Request for the Commission's consideration. Given BSLD's decision voluntarily to make this filing, BSLD simultaneously is seeking Commission approval to increase its maximum RMTS rate to a level that is comparable to the maximum RMTS rates of other service providers in SC. BSLD respectfully asks that the Commission grant the request as quickly as possible.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, BSLD respectfully requests that the Commission approve its request to revise the maximum rate and the actual rate for its Residential Message Telecommunications Service ("RMTS") in South Carolina.

This 24 th day of February, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF BSLD'S REVISED RMTS TARIFF

This revised tariff increases the maximum and actual per minute usage charge for the Company's Residential Message Telecommunications Service (RMTS). This filing also revises the rate structure for the billing of RMTS calls from a flat per-minute rate to Peak and Off-Peak time of day rates.

Under this filing, a rate of 35 cents per minute applies during the "peak period" (8:00 a.m. to, but not including, 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday), and a rate of 25 cents per minute applies during the "off-peak" period (all other times).

The Company respectfully requests an effective date of April 27, 2007 for this revision.

The following revised tariff pages are included:

<u>Page</u>	Change Made
93 rd Revised Page 2	Updates Check Sheet
16 th Revised Page 5.1	Updates Check Sheet
1 st Revised Page 56	Increases Maximum per minute usage rate for Residential
	Message Telecommunications Service (MTS) calls & adds
	language for Peak & Off-Peak time periods

Appendix A - Current Rates and Charges

1st Revised Page 1

Increases actual per minute usage rate for Residential Message Telecommunications Service (MTS) calls

Director, Business Implementation and Compliance 400 Perimeter Center Terrace, Suite 400 Atlanta, GA 30346 South Carolina P.S.C. Tariff No. 3 93rd Revised Page 2 Cancels 92nd Revised Page 2

Effective: April 27, 2007

Issued: February 26, 2007

CHECK SHEET

Pages of this tariff, as indicated below, are effective as of the date shown at the top of the respective pages. Original and revised pages, as named below, comprise all changes from the original tariff and are currently in effect as of the date on the top of this page.

PAGE	REVISION		PAGE	REVISION	PAGE	REVISION	
1	Original		26	Original	52	2 nd Rev.	
2	93 rd Rev.	*	27	2 nd Rev.	53	1st Rev.	
3	66 th Rev.		28	Original	54	Original	
3.1	17 th Rev.		29	2 nd Rev.	54.1	Original	
4	21st Rev.		30	Original	55	2 nd Rev.	
4.1	Original		31	Original	56	1st Rev.	*
5	22 nd Rev.		32	Original	57	3 rd Rev.	
5.1	16 th Rev.	*	33	Original	58	3 rd Rev.	
6	Original		34	Original	59	4 th Rev.	
7	14 th Rev.		35	1 st Rev.	60	4 th Rev.	
8	20 th Rev.		36	4 th Rev.	61	3 rd Rev.	
8.1	10 th Rev.		37	Original	62	4 th Rev.	
9	2 nd Rev.		38	Original	63	3 rd Rev.	
10	4 th Rev.		39	Original	64	3 rd Rev.	
11	Original		40	Original	65	3 rd Rev.	
12	Original		41	Original	66	3 rd Rev.	
13	2 nd Rev.		42	Original	67	4 th Rev.	
14	2 nd Rev.		43	Original	68	4 th Rev.	
15	1 st Rev.		44	Original	69	4 th Rev.	
16	2 nd Rev.		45	1 st Rev.	70	4 th Rev.	
17	1st Rev.		46	Original	71	4 th Rev.	
18	2 nd Rev.		47	1 st Rev.	72	4 th Rev.	
19	1st Rev.		48	1 st Rev.	73	4 th Rev.	
20	1 st Rev.		49	Original	74	4 th Rev.	
21	2 nd Rev.		50	Original	75	4 th Rev.	
22	Original		51	Original			
23	1 st Rev.						
24	Original						
25	Original						

^{* -} Indicates pages included with this filing.

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2 3	1 st Rev.		23	2 nd Rev.		
4	1st Rev.		24	1 st Rev.		
4 5	2 nd Rev.		25	4 th Rev.		
6	1 st Rev.		26	6 th Rev.		
7	1 st Rev.		27	1 st Rev.		
8	1 st Rev.		28	1st Rev.		
9	1st Rev.		29	2 nd Rev.		
10	2 nd Rev.		30	5 th Rev.		
11	1 st Rev.		31	3 rd Rev.		
12	1st Rev.		32	5 th Rev.		
13	2 nd Rev.		33	3 rd Rev.		
14	2 nd Rev.		34	Original		
15	2 nd Rev.		35	2 nd Rev.		
16	1st Rev.		36	4 th Rev.		
17	1 st Rev.		37	1 st Rev.		
18	1 st Rev.		38	Original		
19	2 nd Rev.		39	1 st Rev.		
20	1st Rev.					

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SECTION 4.0 – RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS SERVICES, (CONT'D.)

4.2 **Residential Service Offerings**

Residential Message Telecommunications Service 4.2.1

Residential Message Telecommunications Service (MTS) is a direct dialed outbound long distance service offered to residential Customers from switched access lines. Service is offered on a flat rate basis, twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week. Customers must dial 1 plus the area code, if applicable, and the terminating number to complete a call utilizing this service. Customers who do not designate and qualify for a specific optional calling plan are automatically placed on Residential MTS. Calls are billed based upon the time of day and day of week in which the call was made. Holiday discounts do not apply.

All calls are billed in one (1) minute increments after an initial period, for billing purpose, of one (1) minute. No monthly recurring charge applies for this service.

(A)	Initial Billing Increment:	One Minute
(B)	Each Additional Billing Increment:	One Minute
(C)	Recurring Charges:	\$0.00
(D)	Non-Recurring charges:	\$0.00
(E)	Minimum Per Minute Usage Charges:	None
(F)	Term Plan Available:	No
(G)	Per Minute Usage Charges	
	Maximum Peak Per Minute Rate:	\$0.5000 (I)
	Maximum Off-Peak Per Minute Rate:	\$0.5000 (I)

(H) Time of Date Rate Periods:

Calls are billed at the appropriate rate for Peak and Off-Peak time-of-day rate periods based on the following chart.

Times	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM*	Peak Period						
All other times	Off-Peak Period						

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APPENDIX A - CURRENT RATES AND CHARGES

A-1 Residential Message Telecommunications Service (Section 4.2.1)

(A)	Initial Billing Increment:	One Minute	
(B)	Each Additional Billing Increment:	One Minute	
(C)	Recurring Charges:	\$0.00	
(D)	Non-Recurring charges:	\$0.00	
(E)	Minimum Per Minute Usage Charges:	None	
(F)	Term Plan Available:	No	
(G)	Per Minute Usage Charges:		
	Peak Per Minute Rate:	\$0.3500 (I)	(T)
	Off-Peak Per Minute Rate:	\$0.2500 (I)	(T)

EXHIBIT B

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

DOCKET NO. 2007- -C

NOTICE OF FILING

BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Long Distance Service ("BSLD") has filed a Request with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina seeking to revise the maximum rate and the actual rate for its Residential Message Telecommunications Service ("RMTS") in South Carolina.

A copy of the Request is on file in the offices of the Commission, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, the Commission's web site at www.psc.sc.gov, and is available from Patrick W. Turner, Esquire, 1600 Williams Street, Suite 5200, Columbia, South Carolina, 29202.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the office of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Request. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before April 2, 2007, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. Please refer to Docket No. 2007-___-C.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff at Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211 and Patrick W. Turner, Esquire, at the above address, on or before **April 2, 2007,** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. **Please refer to Docket No. 2007-** -C.

Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before April 2, 2007. Please refer to Docket No. 2007-____-C.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding MUST present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina Attn: Docketing Department Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

EXHIBIT C

VERIZON TARIFF

SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE AND RATES, (Cont'd.)

3.5 Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service

3.5.1 Residential Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service

A. General Description

Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service (LDMTS) is the basic long distance service offered to residential Customers for outbound direct-dialed calling, utilizing Customer-provided switched access lines that are presubscribed to the Company. LDMTS may also be offered for casual (i.e. access code) calling where such service is provided.

B. Rates and Charges

Calls are billed in one (1) minute increments after an initial minimum call duration of (1) one minute. Any partial minute is rounded up to a full minute.

1. Customer Dialed Direct Station-to-Station

The Customer Dialed Direct Station-to-Station class of service applies when the person originating the call dials the telephone number desired without the assistance of an operator and the call is billed to the calling station. It does not include calls from public or semi-public coin telephones.

Maximum Rates:

	<u>Peak</u>	Off-Peak	
IntraLATA	\$0.6000	\$0.6000	(I)
InterLATA	\$0.6000	\$0.6000	(I)

Issued: November 22, 2005

Effective: May 1, 2006

Issued By John Droten, President

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CURRENT RATES

Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service - Residential (Section 3.5.1)

Customer Dialed Direct Station-to-Station

	Peak	Off Peak
Intral ATA	Str 4000 ct c	Su 40(R) (1)
Interl ATA	20 (100 (1)	\$0.4000 (1)

Issued: June 1, 2006 Effective: July 1, 2006

Issued By:

John Broten, President

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MCI TARIFF

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SECTION C - SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS AND RATES

METERED USE SERVICE

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> > Probio Of Peak Madesum Per Minute Rate

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¥ These rates reflect MCPs meximum allowable rates for this service. Current charges can be found in the Rate Appendix in Section C-6 harain.

For customers who authorities to the Asia Plan as described in MCI's FCC Tariff No. 1, the usage charges in section C-2.252 will apply to all intrestate calls placed.

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SECTION C.	REFINICE	DESCRIPTIONS.	AND RATER (Cort.)

RATE APPENDIX

The following rates for the Service Options listed will be the current rates charged by MCI. The rates filed in Section C-2 for Melaned Use Service Options will be considered the mentionent aboveble rates ("capped"). If no rate for a particular Service Option is fished below, then it should be assumed that the current rate is equal to the capped rate.

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7am - 6:50p 7pm - 0:50am

Monday - Friday Monday - Friday and 12am - 11:50pm Salurday and Sundays.

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Size-Same-Same: A per-minute rate of \$0.25 will apply between the hours of 7em and 7pm Monday through Fidday, and a per-minute rate of \$0.18 will apply at all other fines.

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- Basic Crafting Cast: \$30 per minute during all time of day rate periods. A surcharge of \$.65 per call will apply to Basic : Calling Card Calls.

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<u>Advanced Option</u>): Additional minutes of direct-Saled calling are systems for \$0 16 per minute.

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Diel "1" Cells: -\$0.095 per minute 12 AM Saturday turough 11:50 PM Sunday.

Credit Card Cale -\$0.15 per minute 12/44 Seturday Strough 11:59 PM Sunday.

\$0.86 per ceil surcharge.

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For customers who subscribe to the Asia Plan as described in MCts FCC Tastf No. 1, the usage charges in Section C-2.2521 will apply to all IJ intractate cells placed.

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5. RESIDENTIAL SERVICES (Continued)

5.1 Message Telecommunications Services (MTS) (Continued)

5.1.2 Standard Weekends Option B

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Customers who are subscribed to Standard Weekends Option B will pay a specific time-of-day flat rate for all intrastate and interstate Dial-1 calls. There is no monthly recurring charge associated with this product.

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This service is available to any **Embarq LOC** residential Customer who contacts the Company or is contacted by the Company and requests this service plan. Customers may subscribe to another residential service by contacting **an Embarq LOC** representative.

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Solutions Services are available for use by individuals residing at a single-family residence, including, but not limited to, a house, condominium, or apartment, where service is being provided. This service is not available in group or multi-family housing, including, but not limited to, housing associated with educational institutions or military barracks. A Customer's phone line may not be classified as a "business", "public" or "semi-public" line.

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Customers subscribed to any Solutions Service who discontinue any or all of the qualifying services and/or features and consequently no longer meet the eligibility requirements for that service will be switched to this product. Customers may discontinue this product at any time by subscribing to another residential service for which they meet the eligibility requirements.

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The following rate periods apply:

Monday – Friday All Hours Saturday All Hours Sunday All Hours

(a)	Dial-1 Rate	Current	<u>Maximum</u>	
	Per Minute, Monday - Friday	\$0.40	\$1.60	
	Per Minute, Saturday	0.25	1.00	
	Per Minute, Sunday	0.10	.40	

(b) Monthly Recurring Charge

No monthly recurring charge applies.

(c) **EMBARQ Calling Card Rates**

Per Minute	\$0.89
Connection Fee, Per Call	1.25

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4.8 Maximum Rate Levels: Provides the Company with the flexibility for adjustment below the maximum rate level provided below.

	<u>Maximum</u>
Long Distance Service	<u> </u>
Rate per minute	\$0.40
800/888 (Inbound) Distance Service	
Rate per minute	\$0.40
Payphone surcharge per call	\$1.00
Travel Card Service	
Rate per minute	\$ 0.60
Payphone surcharge per call	\$1.00
Prepaid Calling Cards	
Rate per minute	\$0.60
Plan is billed in full minute increments	
Payphone surcharge per call	\$1.00
Operator Charges:	
Collect Station-to-Station	\$2.50
Collect Person-to-Person	\$5.00
Person-to-Person	\$5.00
Station-to-Station	\$2.50
Customer Dialed Calling Card	\$2.50
Operator Dialed Calling Card	\$3.75
Operator Dialed Surcharge	\$2.50

4.9 Special Promotions

The company will, from time to time, offer special promotions to its customers waiving certain charges. These promotions will be approved by the South Carolina Public Service Commission with specific starting and ending dates, and be made part of this tariff.

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4.1 Long Distance Service

Rate per minute - \$0.25.
Plan is billed in full minute increments

4.2 800/888 (Inbound) Distance Service

Rate per minute - \$0.25 Plan is billed in six-second increments with a six second minimum Payphone surcharge per call - \$0.60

4,3 Travel Card Service

Rate per minute - \$0.30 Payphone surcharge per call - \$0.60

4.4 Prepaid Calling Cards

Rate per minute - \$0.30 Plan is billed in full minute increments Payphone surcharge per call - \$0.60

4.5 Operator Services

4.5.1 Usage Rate: The appropriate rate found under 4.1 and 4.3 shall apply

4.5.2 Operator Charges:

Collect Person-to-Person \$4.	00
Person-to-Person \$4.	00
Station-to-Station \$1.	50
Customer Dialed Calling Card \$1.	.50
Operator Dialed Calling Card \$2	.75
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COUNTY OF RICHLAND)	

The undersigned, Nyla M. Laney, hereby certifies that she is employed by the Legal Department for AT&T South Carolina ("AT&T") and that she has caused a Request to Revise Maximum and Actual Rates on behalf of BellSouth Long Distance, lnc. d/b/a BellSouth Long Distance Service to be served upon the following this February 26, 2007.

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